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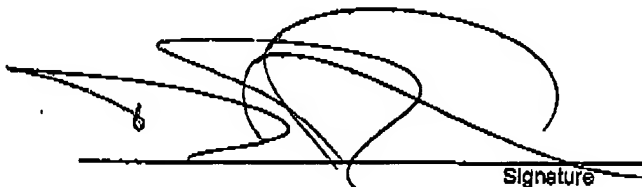
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### Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/676,726-Conf. #2945 First Named Applicant: Richard D. Thornton  
Examiner: B. S. Mullins Art Unit: 2834 Status of Application: FILED CASE

**Tentative Participants:**

(1) Examiner Mullins (2) David Powsner  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: Beginning of January Proposed Time: At the Examiner's Convenience (AM/PM)

**Type of Interview Requested:**

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>1-3, 5-8, 10-13</u>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:**

Proposed amendments to the specification, claims and figures

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:**

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP §713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

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